SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION - OCEAN COUNTY DOCKET NO. L-2891-14 PW

OROS BAIS YAAKOV HIGH SCHOOL, : a nonprofit corporation of the State of New Jersey : DEPOSITION UPON

: ORAL EXAMINATION

Plaintiff,

of

VS.

JEFFREY MICHAEL

PURPURO

TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON, N.J., : ad JACKSON TOWNSHIP ZONING : BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT,

Defendants. :

Toms River, New Jersey Tuesday, November 13, 2018

DEPOSITION of JEFFREY MICHAEL PURPURO in the above-entitled action by and before PATRICIA J. RUSSONIELLO, a Certified Court Reporter and Notary Public of the State of New Jersey, at the office of GILMORE & MONAHAN, P.C., 10 Allen Street, commencing at 11:11 a.m.

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- 1 only employees for the past three years other than
- 2 yourself in your department?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Okay. Are you aware of people in
- 5 Jackson Township using their homes as synagogues?
- A. I am not aware.
- 7 O. Okay. So that has not been an issue in
- 8 Jackson Township?
- 9 A. It's not been an issue because it's not
- 10 been prove -- it's not been an issue.
- 11 Q. Okay. Do you know if there have been
- 12 any enforcement actions maintained against anyone in
- 13 Jackson Township for using their home as a synagogue?
- 14 A. I did write a viola -- or a Summons and
- 15 we did go to Court and it was my -- it was my charge
- 16 that because there was no one living -- it was my --
- 17 it was my interpretation through daily investigation,
- 18 so to speak, that there was no one living in the house
- 19 but on weekends it was being used as a place of
- 20 assembly.
- Q. Okay. And did that interpretation that
- 22 you made result in the violation notice?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. All right. Where was that property?
- 25 What was the address?

- 1 A. 146 South New Prospect.
- 2 Q. Okay.
- 3 A. In Jackson, of course.
- 4 O. And when was that?
- 5 A. What the -- what the process is is that
- 6 we do -- let's go with -- only because I can't give
- 7 you an exact date. I would say at this point two
- 8 years ago I would say the process was started.
- 9 Q. Okay.
- 10 A. September, October of 2016.
- 11 Q. All right. Who directed you to conduct
- 12 an investigation of that property?
- 13 A. No one.
- Q. Well, how did you learn that there might
- 15 be an issue with that property?
- 16 A. Well, the E-mails I would receive from
- 17 perhaps Hope Drew may have been -- may have been one
- 18 to alert me to a situation that they may be using the
- 19 house as a -- she called it a place of assembly -- she
- 20 called it a house of worship. I wasn't getting
- 21 involved with the worship part. I'm just calling it
- 22 an assembly use so I would say some of the residents
- 23 alerted me.
- Q. Okay. Any other residents you recall?
- 25 A. No.

- 1 Q. All right. And with respect to that
- 2 property did you go out and do a personal observation?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 O. Okav. Was that on a weekend?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Q. Okay. So when did you go out and view
- 7 that property? How many times?
- 8 A. I would say I -- approximately 30 days --
- 9 30 business days during the -- you know, during that
- 10 time period twice a day to see, you know, if there was
- 11 someone living there, knocked on the front door,
- 12 walked the property. You know, it's my -- it's my --
- it's always my MO, so to speak, that if I'm going to
- 14 write a violation or a Summons I'm going to have
- 15 enough information to back me up.
- 16 Q. Okay. Did you ever speak to an owner of
- 17 that property or someone residing there?
- 18 A. I spoke to some -- well, I spoke to
- 19 someone who said he was a resident. I have never
- 20 spoken to the owner.
- 21 O. All right. And what was the -- and what
- 22 information did you have that resulted in you writing
- 23 a violation?
- A. My daily observations that there was no
- 25 one living in the house along with reports from Code

- 1 Enforcement who do do site visits on weekends and
- 2 based on no one living there during the week, based on
- 3 my daily visits noting that no one was living there
- 4 during the week and reports back to Code Enforcement
- 5 saying that Friday and Saturday there are people
- 6 assembling at the property, that was enough for me to
- 7 at least write the violation.
- 8 Q. Okay. Did you have a number of
- 9 individuals that someone observed on the weekend days
- 10 that -- that gave the basis for the violation?
- 11 A. Yes. There may have been -- not a point
- of how many people but perhaps 40 to 50 vehicles on
- 13 the driveway and on the -- on the lawn and so it was
- 14 more of a vehicle -- car count than a...
- Okay. And was the use there that you --
- 16 that you violated them with respect to assembly or
- 17 house of worship?
- A. Assembly.
- 19 Q. Assembly.
- 20 And was -- did the individuals who were
- 21 assembling there were they Orthodox Jewish?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And what was the result of that
- 24 violation notice?
- 25 A. And, of course, because now that I think

- 1 about it -- maybe I shouldn't even be talking about it
- 2 but I wrote the Summons. It went to Court. The Judge
- 3 sided with my violation. It's since been appealed and
- 4 it's still pending.
- 5 Q. Okay. And you undertook to monitor that
- 6 house on the 30 business days on your own without any
- 7 direction from anybody on the Township Council or
- 8 administration to do so?
- 9 A. No. That was on my own accord. I mean,
- 10 that was -- that's part of my -- my duty.
- 11 Q. Okay. Did you discuss this particular
- 12 matter with anyone on the Township Council or in the
- 13 administration?
- 14 A. Council -- Township Council, no.
- 15 Administration just that I was conducting site visits
- in case anyone ever questioned what we were doing
- 17 about it, so to speak.
- 18 Q. Okay. Is -- how about with other -- did
- 19 you discuss this with other residents other than those
- you've identified as having made the complaint to you?
- 21 A. Did I discuss what?
- 22 Q. Discuss the fact that this use was not
- in conformance with the code of Jackson Township?
- A. I would say no. I would have no reason
- 25 to discuss that with -- with anyone other than either,

- 1 reason to go any further with that investigation.
- Q. Okay. When did the complaints start
- 3 regarding the schuls in the Township?
- 4 A. I hate to say this is a guess but this
- 5 is a guess. I could go back to the E-mails and, you
- 6 know -- three years ago?
- 7 Q. Okay. And what is the nature of the
- 8 complaints that you're receiving?
- 9 A. That folks are using a residence as a
- 10 place of worship or a schul.
- 11 Q. Okay. And do you recall specifically
- 12 what individuals have made those complaints with you?
- 13 A. Again, if we went through the E-mails
- 14 I'm sure it's going to be, you know, the -- I believe
- 15 there was that Chris Hope or Hope Drew.
- 16 This Kissenberth -- Kissenberth may have
- 17 been one of them. Number 44 on the list.
- Perhaps that Kelly Kanis.
- I can't pinpoint exactly which one was
- 20 complaining about what so if I went through the
- 21 E-mails I could probably give you a better answer.
- Q. Okay. And what do you do when you
- 23 receive a complaint about an alleged schul that's
- 24 operating illegally in the Township?
- 25 A. If it is the initial complaint I will do

- 1 my -- my site visit. You know, I'll do some -- I'll
- 2 do some investigating through Housing Department to see
- 3 if there was a rental CO issued and if indeed, you
- 4 know, someone was living there. If that's the case I --
- 5 I don't get involved.
- 6 O. Okay. And what's your understanding of
- 7 the law regarding schuls in Jackson Township?
- 8 A. Well, that's seemingly a little broad.
- 9 Q. Are they permitted?
- 10 A. Well, I don't have the book in front of
- 11 me so I couldn't -- there are -- there are zones that
- 12 permit houses of worship as either permitted use,
- 13 perhaps some zones permitted as a conditional use so
- 14 without the book in front of me I -- I couldn't tell
- 15 you for sure where they're permitted but there are
- 16 zones that do permit them.
- 17 O. Okay. And are those the only two uses
- 18 under which a schul would fall in the Township?
- 19 A. Again, my book doesn't -- won't have the
- 20 term "schul" in there. It will have, you know,
- 21 churches or places of worship.
- 22 If that's what the perception of a schul
- is, a place of worship, then, you know, there are
- 24 zones that do permit -- that do permit -- does permit
- 25 that use.

- 1 O. Okay. So what -- is a schul a house of
- 2 worship --
- 3 A. That's my understanding.
- 4 Q. -- in your -- in your opinion?
- 5 Would that be your interpretation for
- 6 Jackson Township?
- 7 MS. TUTELO: Objection to form. You can
- 8 answer.
- 9 A. Yeah. I don't have the definition of
- 10 either in front of me but that's my perception, yes.
- 11 Q. Okay. I'm trying to find out where a
- 12 schul would fall in terms of enforcement for you in --
- 13 as far as a definition of what it is under the code.
- 14 A. If it came to that I would ask an
- 15 Applicant because it would be an application that,
- 16 "Okay. What's your interpretation of -- of this use?"
- 17 If it fits under perhaps house of worship, then we
- 18 would find the zone where it's permitted and get you
- 19 in front of the right Board.
- 20 O. How many properties have you yourself
- 21 investigated with respect to a proposed -- I'm
- 22 sorry -- not proposed -- with respect to an alleged
- 23 schul operating on a property in Jackson Township?
- A. Maybe five.
- O. Okay. And have you --

- 1 A. Ten. Let's go with ten to be safe.
- Q. Okay. Have you issued any citations?
- 3 A. Just the one on that 146 South New
- 4 Prospect.
- 5 Q. Okay. And tell me in terms of your
- 6 investigation exactly what you do when you get one of
- 7 these complaints.
- 8 A. Well, because I'm not going to get in
- 9 the way of someone using their house as an assembly
- 10 use, prayer sessions, football game, whatever it
- 11 happens to be, if someone's living there, you know,
- 12 that's my first criteria; to see if someone's living
- 13 there. If someone's living there I'm done because
- 14 then I'm dealing with, you know, someone having people
- over for whatever reason and the residential nature of
- 16 that home is still being complied with so -- the
- 17 wording is a little strange but that's the gist of,
- 18 you know, what I do.
- 19 Once I find that there's someone living
- 20 there, then I'm done.
- 21 O. What about monitoring of these
- 22 properties in terms of doing a visual inspection? Do
- 23 you engage in that?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And how often would you monitor,

- 1 I have to turn this back on you.
- 2 What's your interpretation of a modular
- 3 building?
- 4 MS. RATH: Well, let's mark this.
- 5 (Exhibit P-211 marked for identification.)
- 6 Q. Okay. And you've been handed P-211.
- Were you aware that the Mayor, Michael
- 8 Reina, had a concern regarding trailers in Jackson
- 9 Township?
- 10 A. What type of trailers?
- 11 Q. Trailers that "have become a
- 12 increasingly popular way of getting congregations of
- 13 different faith-based groups, students and employees
- into small spaces to accommodate needs."
- Were you aware that the Mayor had a
- 16 concern of that nature?
- 17 A. No, I was not aware.
- 18 Q. Did he ever communicate that to you?
- 19 A. Did he ever convey that to me that he
- 20 was concerned?
- 21 Q. Right.
- 22 A. Not that I recall.
- Q. Okay. But he did send you a particular
- 24 trailer to review or investigate at 88 Thompson Bridge
- 25 Road?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. Okay. And did you do that
- 3 investigation?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Okay. And what was your determination?
- 6 A. That it was a camper that was on site
- 7 that the folks were living in while they renovated
- 8 their house.
- 9 Q. Okay. So was there any violation issued
- 10 with respect to that trailer?
- 11 A. No. Because the idea that the trailer
- 12 was there for them to live in while they were
- 13 renovating their house, the approval for that trailer
- 14 was issued by administration so I had no concerns.
- Okay. Have you seen -- do you have any
- idea what the Mayor meant by "congregations of
- 17 different faiths"?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. Okay. Have you seen the use of trailers
- in Jackson Township by religious groups?
- 21 A. Let's clear up trailer.
- 22 Q. Okay.
- 23 A. Now, there is an office trailer that's
- 24 being used at a church on Harmony Road that they got
- 25 approvals for from the Board of Adjustment but they're

- 1 Q. Now, Mr. Purpuro, I don't want to
- 2 mispronounce the word. I believe it's Sukkots (sic)?
- 3 Are you familiar with that term?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Okay. What term do you use?
- 6 A. Sukkah.
- 7 O. Sukkah. Okay. Sukkah. Okay.
- 8 Have you received complaints regarding
- 9 sukkahs in the Township of Jackson?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Okay. And who have those complaints
- 12 come from?
- 13 A. I don't recall.
- Q. Okay. When did the complaints start?
- 15 A. I would say three years ago.
- 16 Q. Okay. And what's this issue about?
- 17 What are the complaints about?
- 18 A. More so the placement and the appearance
- 19 of the structure.
- Q. Okay. And when you say "structure" what
- 21 are you referring to?
- 22 A. The sukkah.
- Q. Okay. And what do you understand a
- 24 sukkah to be?
- 25 A. It is a structure that folks put up

- 1 during a certain time of the year so -- for them to
- 2 observe -- as -- as part of a religious belief.
- 3 Q. Okay. And those would be Jewish
- 4 individuals?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Okay. What do you do when you receive a
- 7 complaint regarding a sukkah?
- 8 A. I'll investigate to see if we've issued
- 9 a permit for one and if not I have a standard form
- 10 that I send that it's the most informal way of gaining
- 11 compliance for fence, pool, sukkah; whatever it
- 12 happens to be.
- Okay. As part of the documents you
- 14 produced here today did you produce documents relating
- 15 to the sukkah complaints?
- 16 A. I would say no mainly because I was just
- 17 printing out the permits that I issued and I don't
- 18 even recall ever sending a -- one of those informal
- 19 complaints out so the answer's no.
- 20 O. Okay. Have you ever violated any
- 21 Township resident -- issued a notice of violation with
- 22 respect to a sukkah?
- 23 A. I would say no and I didn't look through
- 24 my different programs to look for violations but even
- 25 then it would have been difficult to pinpoint the

- 1 reasoning for doing a violation. I just had a
- 2 difficult time getting the key words for the permits
- 3 so I would say I did not issue a violation.
- 4 Q. Okay. Were you ever directed by a
- 5 Township official to investigate an issue of a sukkah
- 6 on a property?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Who?
- 9 A. I -- if or when a complaint may have
- 10 come in it may have been directed to the Mayor's
- office or administration, it would have been forwarded
- 12 to me to investigate so I can't tell you exactly who
- 13 it was. Administration. It may have been the Mayor.
- Q. Okay. Did anybody contact you in any
- other fashion from the administration or Council
- 16 regarding investigating an alleged sukkah or -- I'm
- 17 sorry -- a sukkah in the Township?
- 18 A. Anyone other than?
- 19 Q. Other than it coming in by the way you
- 20 just indicated?
- 21 A. I don't recall one way or the other.
- Q. Okay. Do you recall any particular
- 23 official involved in formulating the issue of whether
- 24 sukkahs were illegal or legal in the Township of
- 25 Jackson?

- 1 A. That a permit's required for a
- 2 structure?
- 3 O. Yes. Yes.
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. How about with respect to sukkahs? Is
- 6 there anything individually separate --
- 7 A. No.
- 8 O. -- for that?
- 9 And how long can they be up?
- 10 A. They can -- zoning requirements don't
- 11 require so theoretically they can be up forever.
- 12 Q. Okay. And if we turn to Page 2, the
- 13 first page of this document you have in front of you,
- 14 417, you sent an E-mail to the Mayor regarding these
- 15 sukkah structures and not anyone else on the Council.
- Do you know why you would have responded
- 17 to the Mayor individually?
- 18 A. No, but only to the -- mainly because --
- 19 well, only because if it's something that -- not to
- 20 say he's not aware of everything that goes on in our
- 21 office. Just wanted to keep -- somebody wants to be
- 22 kept current on the current issues in town.
- O. Okay. And when it indicates, "attached
- 24 are three violations that were recently written" did
- 25 you write those three violations?

- 1 A. Well, I must have and I can't say for
- 2 sure what the addresses were and what even prompted
- 3 them but looking at the subject apparently ones were
- 4 written.
- 5 Q. Okay. Isn't it true that it's based
- 6 upon receipt or you receive certain complaints from
- 7 Township residents regarding these sukkahs?
- 8 A. Yes. Certainly it's a big town. It's
- 9 tough to see everything that's going on everywhere so
- 10 when we do get a complaint we do investigate.
- 11 Q. Okay. Have there been any violations
- 12 issued this year for sukkahs?
- 13 A. No.
- 14 Q. Okay.
- 15 A. Not by me.
- Okay. Do you know if there were any at
- 17 all by the Township?
- 18 A. I don't know.
- 19 Q. Okay. And with respect to sukkahs this
- 20 year were you asked to investigate any properties?
- 21 A. No.
- Q. Okay. And would you not agree that this
- issue concerns the Orthodox Jewish community only?
- MS. TUTELO: Objection to form. You can
- answer.

- 1 A. The subject of sukkahs? Would I --
- 2 Q. Yes.
- 3 A. Would I -- I would agree that sukkahs
- 4 pertain to the Jewish community.
- 5 Q. Have you ever received complaints about
- 6 tarps around pools in Jackson Township?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 O. And what's this issue about?
- 9 A. What's this issue about?
- 10 Q. Yes.
- 11 A. It's about folks who put tarps around
- 12 their pool. I mean, they're -- they're put up so the
- 13 women can swim in the pool without anyone seeing them.
- 14 Q. And by "folks" you're referring to the
- 15 Orthodox Jewish community?
- 16 A. In these instances, yes.
- 17 Q. Okay. When did the complaints start?
- 18 A. I would say probably two years ago.
- 19 Q. Are they still ongoing?
- 20 A. Well, certainly none of the tarps are up
- 21 now because of the time of year.
- 22 Q. This past summer did you have
- 23 complaints?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. Were -- who do you receive the

- 1 complaints from?
- 2 A. In these instances there was one that
- 3 came in from a woman who lived on the same road as one
- 4 of the alleged violators and we -- as we speak we have
- 5 two applications in front of the Board of Adjustment
- 6 for folks who put tarps up that are of a material
- 7 that's not permitted and at a height that's not
- 8 permitted.
- 9 Q. Okay. And how many properties have you
- 10 investigated with respect to this issue?
- 11 A. Five.
- 12 Q. Okay. And were you ever directed by a
- 13 Township official to investigate these issues?
- 14 A. No.
- 15 Q. And what's your understanding of the law
- 16 regarding the use of these tarps?
- 17 A. Well, my understanding which was
- 18 substantiated by the Board of Adjustment, an Applicant
- 19 went in front of the Board for interpretation of the
- 20 material being used. The Board determined that using
- 21 a tarp as a barrier or a fence was prohibited by the
- 22 ordinance so my understanding is that using a tarp as
- 23 a fence is not permitted.
- Q. Okay. All right. Is that the
- 25 Virchlizer (phonetic) property?

- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And are you using that property's
- 3 determination regarding interpretation as the baseline
- 4 for other complaints that come in?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Okay. And have you issued violations
- 7 regarding to these tarps?
- 8 A. I would say that since that application
- 9 was concluded I used my informal method to gain
- 10 compliance by sending that form letter out saying, you
- 11 know, "The tarp material is not permitted. Either
- 12 remove it or go for a variance."
- 13 Q. Do we have a copy of the letters that
- 14 you've sent out in the production we have?
- 15 A. I don't think that was part of your
- 16 request for information.
- 17 Q. Okay. And there have been three matters
- 18 that have proceeded before the Board with respect to
- 19 these tarps. Is that correct?
- 20 A. One was that the interpretation --
- 21 O. Mm'mm.
- 22 A. -- on White Road.
- There were -- there was one recently
- 24 heard by the Board of Adjustment where the Applicant
- 25 came in for a -- for the ten-foot tarp.

- 1 He then amended his application to put
- 2 up a -- an eight-foot fence in place of the tarp
- 3 material.
- 4 O. Okay. And what happened to the other
- 5 t.wo?
- 6 A. They're pending. One is going to be
- 7 heard next month at the next Zoning Board meeting
- 8 and -- actually there are two that are -- that are
- 9 pending in front of the Board.
- 10 Q. Do you know the names of those Applicants?
- 11 A. I believe one is Gruskin.
- 12 Q. Okay.
- 13 A. I brought my agendas to show you how
- 14 busy we were because getting this information was a
- 15 chore so I can pull --
- 16 Q. Thank you.
- 17 A. -- I can pull the agenda --
- 18 Q. No --
- 19 A. -- to see what the names are.
- 20 Q. -- only if you recall.
- 21 A. I think it's Gruskin on Arizona --
- 22 Q. Okay.
- 23 A. -- Lane -- Road.
- Q. And then the other one you don't remember?
- 25 A. No.

- 1 Q. All right. Okay.
- What's the Spray Park in Jackson
- 3 Township?
- 4 A. It's a park that the Township created
- 5 that is used ideally in the summer months that -- like
- 6 a little recreational area where water is sprayed and
- 7 there's fountains and things that are enjoyed by young
- 8 people.
- 9 O. Okay. And where is it located?
- 10 A. It is located in -- what's the actual
- 11 address?
- 12 It's the -- what do they call it? What
- 13 do they call it? It's like a --
- 14 Q. Is it by the Justice Center?
- 15 A. Yeah. Justice Complex. That's it.
- 16 Q. Okay. All right.
- 17 A. Where there's, you know, a hockey rink,
- 18 baseball fields, soccer fields; that kind of thing.
- 19 Q. Okay. And you were --
- 20 MS. RATH: I'm sorry. Let's mark.
- 21 (Exhibits P-215, P-216 and P-217 marked
- 22 for identification.)
- Q. Mr. Purpuro, you sought approval for the
- 24 Spray Park. Is that correct?
- A. Say that again?

- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. From who?
- A. Once again when I did the E-mails with
- 4 the key words it was more than likely the same people
- 5 who were part of your list but once again --
- 6 Q. The list that was in my subpoena?
- 7 A. Yes. And if you see the -- you know,
- 8 the E-mails pertaining to whatever number that is --
- 9 number 56 -- those were the people who would have
- 10 complained.
- 11 Q. Okay. And were there complaints
- 12 targeted toward the use -- I'm sorry -- did the
- 13 complaints concern the use of portable toilets in the
- 14 Township by the Orthodox Jewish community?
- 15 A. They were specific to addresses that
- 16 were of concerns and more than likely pertaining to
- 17 the Jewish community, yes.
- 18 Q. Okay. And how many properties did you
- 19 investigate with respect to the portable toilet use
- 20 issue?
- 21 A. At that point it was more of a code
- 22 enforcement issue more than a zoning issue.
- 23 Q. Okay.
- 24 A. So I didn't really -- I only took the
- 25 properties and some of the photos that were taken with

- 1 those E-mails and really turned it over to Code
- 2 Enforcement.
- 3 Q. Okay. So you didn't go out yourself and
- 4 investigate any property?
- 5 A. Correct.
- 6 Q. All right.
- 7 A. As I recall.
- 8 Q. Okay. And do you remember how many
- 9 properties you turned over for investigation to code
- 10 compliance?
- 11 A. The popular answer seems to be five but
- 12 I would say no more than five.
- Okay. Were you ever directed by a
- 14 Township official to investigate the use of a portable
- toilet at a property when it wasn't permitted?
- 16 A. I don't recall.
- 17 Q. Okay. And are -- okay.
- Do you know if any citations have been
- 19 issued with respect to these portable toilet use?
- 20 A. I'm not aware if they were or they
- 21 weren't.
- Q. Okay. Have you received any complaints
- 23 regarding illegal pools in Jackson Township?
- A. Not illegal pools, no.
- Q. Okay. Pools that are -- maybe are being

- 1 used for commercial purpose as opposed to an
- 2 individual residential use?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Okay. And where were those pools? Let
- 5 me back up.
- 6 How many have you received in terms of
- 7 complaints?
- 8 A. No more than ten so between five and ten.
- 9 Q. Okay. Again, did those pools, were they
- on property owned by Orthodox Jewish residents?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And when did those complaints start?
- 13 A. As I recall I would say last summer
- 14 would have been the -- when I may have gotten any --
- 15 may have gotten communications that there were pools
- 16 that were being rented.
- 17 Q. Okay.
- 18 A. Actually, it's two summers ago.
- 19 Q. Okay. Did you receive any complaints
- 20 this past summer?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. All right. And did you personally
- 23 investigate any properties?
- 24 A. I did.
- 25 O. Okay. And would that have been the ten

- 1 in total at most you indicated?
- 2 A. I may have visited probably two or three
- 3 sites and as I recall there was one on the end of
- 4 Chelsea Road where I spoke to the homeowner and he did
- 5 tell me he was renting his pool out and I said, "Well,
- 6 you can't do it," and, you know, he gave me the -- you
- 7 know, the okay that, you know, he didn't know and he
- 8 stopped doing it and follow-up revealed that there's
- 9 been no activity at that particular address.
- 10 Q. Okay. Did you issue any citations or
- 11 violation notices for any of these properties?
- 12 A. I would say no because I had no real
- 13 proof.
- Q. Okay. Were you ever directed by a
- 15 Township official to investigate an issue of an
- 16 illegal pool?
- 17 A. Not that I recall.
- 18 Q. Okay. Do you recall receiving one of
- 19 these complaints an individual using the term
- 20 "ghetto"?
- 21 A. There are some E-mails that have that
- 22 term -- that term for sure --
- 23 Q. Okay.
- 24 A. -- and either one of those key names
- 25 would have brought up what -- I think specifically

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